



## STATE COURT ADMINISTRATION

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The House of Representatives has released its proposed FY 19 budget for the Judicial Branch. I am pleased to report that the funding level assigned is \$4.3 MM more than our FY 18 appropriation (after the de-appropriation). At this level, the number of vacancies currently being held would be reduced by approximately half.

While not yet assigning a specific amount to Judicial Branch funding, the Senate has released target numbers for various budget areas. The amount for the Justice System area, under which the Judicial Branch falls, is \$3.8 MM less than the House target number. How this \$3.8 MM is to be divided among Corrections, the Judicial Branch, State Patrol, etc., is still unknown.

Given the difficult economic environment and limited resources, we are all thankful to the House of Representatives for making judicial branch funding a priority. We are working hard to have the Senate adopt a number for the Judicial Branch that is as close to the House number as possible. As further substantive developments become known, I will share them with you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Nuccio", written in a cursive style.

Todd Nuccio